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The **Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC)** is currently developing a Permanent Stormwater Management Manual to provide design, installation, and maintenance guidance on runoff reduction/green infrastructure practices. An external stakeholder committee has been selected and includes multiple related stakeholders such as TNSA, ASCE, Road-builders Association, Homebuilders Association, etc., to assist with the drafting of this Manual. **Crystal Piper** from our **Engineering Department** and **Larry Mizell** from our **Planning and Sustainability Department** were recently asked to serve on a review committee to help with the final development of this Manual to ensure that it will be successfully implemented across the State of TN.

Kevin Comstock from our **Engineering Department** was recently nominated by **Mayor Moore** to participate in the **Transit Citizen Leadership Academy**. The Transit Citizen Leadership Academy (TCLA) was initiated at the request of the Middle Tennessee Mayors Caucus in partnership with the Transit Alliance of Middle Tennessee and the Nelson and Sue Andrews Institute for Civic Leadership at Lipscomb University. The Transit Alliance of Middle Tennessee is a non-profit organization with the mission of encouraging private sector as well as public sector support for new investments in mass transit in the ten county region of Middle Tennessee.

Congratulations to City Attorney Shauna Billingsley who was honored by the **Williamson County Bar Association as its 2013 recipient for the Liberty Bell Award**. This award recognizes an individual whose community service has strengthened our system of freedom under law by promoting a better understanding of and respect for our Constitution and Laws. Shauna was recognized for all her work within the community over the past several years, particularly with her efforts for the Wills for Heroes and Mock Trial events. Way to go, Shauna!

Franklin Firefighter-Paramedic Steve Denny was inducted into the Eastern Kentucky University chapter of The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi after earning another 4.0 this semester. Steve is studying for his Master's Degree in Safety, Security, and Emergency Management, and is on track to complete it this fall. He has maintained a perfect 4.0 GPA throughout his career. **Membership in**

Phi Kappa Phi is by invitation and requires nomination and approval by a chapter. Only the top 10 percent of graduate students qualify. Congratulations, Steve!

The **Franklin Fire and Police Departments** participated in **two health fairs** this week. The first was on Monday at the YMCA and the second was the Senior Health Fair at The Factory on Thursday.

	
Engineer Anthony Sedlak, Captain Scott Mainord, and Firefighter Daniel Burke	Officers Ryan Schuman and Eric Johnson

Building a Better Franklin Together meeting – May 14. Our Building and Neighborhood Services (BNS), Fire, and Street Department Inspectors, Plans Examiners, and Permit Techs are facilitating a contractor meeting on Tuesday morning (7 a.m.), May 14 for the various skilled trades, foreman, and project managers performing work in Franklin. The “Building a Better Franklin Together” meeting is targeted to on-site construction personnel for the purpose of soliciting their input on the City’s permitting, inspection scheduling, on-site inspection, problem-solving, and related on-site development services. Our Communications team worked with this group to produce a flyer to help publicize the meeting. Here is a link to the flyer: <http://www.franklintn.gov/index.aspx?page=968>

National Public Works Week is May 19 – 25. To celebrate, we will hold an **Equipment Road-e-o** for our public works employees on **May 17th from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Jim Warren Park.** The day will consist of various competitions as well as lunch. All public works employees are encouraged to participate in the Road-e-o or come just to cheer on their co-workers (at their department head’s discretion). More information on the competitions should be available in your department. All employees are invited to watch the Road-e-o or just stop by for lunch. **Lunch for non-public works employees is \$5 for a hamburger/hotdogs, chips, drink, and dessert. Lunch tickets may be purchased from Kim Hammon (Fleet Maintenance).** Please purchase your ticket prior to May 10th (that’s TODAY!) so we can have an idea of how many to expect. **That evening, we’ll host our annual Touch-a-Truck event at Pinkerton Park (4:30**

p.m. – 7 p.m.). *Because of Public Works we are able to have clean water, safe streets and neighborhoods that are free of trash and litter that results in a healthy environment, efficient traffic, and beautiful parks – all things that add to the quality of life that makes Franklin such a special place.*

Last week's winner of the Mayor's parking spot was MIT's Wayne Goode and he is paying forward the honor to the Katie Marra of the Finance Department . Wayne said, "I nominate Katie Marra of the Finance Department. Katie is responsible for managing and/or performing most operational aspects of the many financial units within the City. She recently achieved her Certified Municipal Financial Officer (CMFO) certification, and has been with the City for over 5 years. Katie consistently exhibits the characteristics of a "corner-stone" type employee. She has an advanced knowledge of the financial processes required to run a complex city such as Franklin and is able to apply that skill-set professionally in dynamic and often time-limited situations. Furthermore, Katie performs these diverse duties with a high level of integrity, excellence, and accuracy. She is able to communicate calmly with a broad range of stakeholders in working to solve difficult problems, when they may arise and does so with a team-oriented attitude." Katie can begin parking in the Mayor's spot on Monday, May 13. Now it's Katie's turn to pay it forward again and nominate a co-worker for their excellence at agoodjob@franklintn.gov

Last evening, I sent everyone an **update on the classification and compensation study**. Please take a look at it when you get a chance. **I will release to Board later today the proposed budget for 2013-14**. We will get you all information on the new proposed budget soon after it is released to the Board and the full document will be placed on the City website next week. The Budget and Finance Committee is scheduled to meet on Wednesday and Thursday (5/15 and 5/16) at 3 p.m. to review and discuss the proposed budget.

Thanks for all you do! Enjoy your weekend.

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